

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Hilary Chandler Tompkins, of New Mexico, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior. **Pages S6742, S6749**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina.

Routine lists in the Army and Navy.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Donald Michael Remy, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, which was sent to the Senate on April 20, 2009. **Page S6749**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:38 p.m., until 9:45 a.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6743.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security approved for full Committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year 2010.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND BASE CLOSURE PROGRAMS BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for military construction, environmental, and base closure programs, after receiving testimony from B.J. Penn, Assistant Secretary of the

Navy for Installations and Environment, Kathleen I. Ferguson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations, Joseph F. Calcara, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations and Housing, and Wayne Army, Deputy Under Secretary for Installations and Environment, all of the Department of Defense.

COMMERCIAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security concluded a hearing to examine aviation safety, focusing on the role and responsibility of commercial air carriers and employees, after receiving testimony from James C. May, Air Transport Association of America, Inc., Roger Cohen, Regional Airline Association, and Captain John Prater, Air Line Pilots Association, International, all of Washington, D.C.; and Scott Maurer, Families of Continental Flight 3407, Moore, South Carolina.

CONSUMER WIRELESS EXPERIENCE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the consumer wireless experience, focusing on consumers' current satisfaction with wireless phone service, problems consumers have experienced with this service, and the Federal Communications Commission's efforts to assist wireless consumers with complaints, after receiving testimony from Mark Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; John E. Rooney, United States Cellular Corporation, Chicago, Illinois; Paul Roth, AT&T Inc., Atlanta, Georgia; Rob Frieden, Penn State University, University Park, Pennsylvania; Barbara S. Esbin, The Progress and Freedom Foundation Center for Communications and Competition Policy, Washington, D.C.; and Victor H. Meena, Cellular South, Inc., Ridgeland, Mississippi.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled "The American Clean Energy Leadership Act".

PUBLIC LAND AND FOREST LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 409, to secure Federal ownership and management of significant natural, scenic, and recreational resources, to provide for the protection of cultural resources, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, S. 782, to provide for the establishment of the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring